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SUBJ: EXPORTS OF HYDRO-QUEBEC POWER TO U.S.

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1. TOP OFFICIAL IN HYDRO-QUEBEC TOLD CONSULATE TODAY THAT COMPANY HAD BEEN TOLD THAT OTTAWA'S RULING ON HYDRO-QUEBEC'S APPLICATION TO EXPORT ELECTRIC POWER TO STATE OF NEW YORK (PASNY) WOULD BE ANNOUNCED BEFORE END OF WEEK. AFTER REVIEW BY NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD, APPLICATION HAD BEEN SUBMITTED TO CANADIAN CABINET FOR APPROVAL. HYDRO-QUEBEC IS ANXIOUS FOR DECISION TO BE ANNOUNCED, AS IT HAS PLANNED TO ISSUE TENDERS NEXT WEEK FOR CLEARING OF RIGHT AWAY. HYDRO MANAGEMENT EXPECTS DECISION TO BE FAVORABLE. SENIOR OFFICIAL SAID THAT DISAPPROVAL WOULD PRESENT ENORMOUS POLITICAL PROBLEMS IN QUEBEC, AS NO ONE COULD EXPLAIN TO QUEBECKERS WHY THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO EXPORT POWER, WHILE ONTARIO WAS. DISAPPROVAL, HE SAID, COULD ONLY BE SEEN AS SIGN THAT QUEBEC WAS HOSTAGE TO ONTARIO'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC POWER, DURING HEARINGS HYDRO-ONTARIO HAS ARGUED AGAINST SEVERAL BASIC PROVISIONS IN HYDRO-QUEBEC'S APPLICATION--AND AS SUCH COULD NEVER BE ACCEPTED.

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